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SUBJECT:RHODESIAN SANCTIONS: CORE GROUP

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REF: USUN 2919

1. DEPT IS PLEASED THAT UK HAS ACCEPTED OUR PROPOSAL THAT
IRAN BE INCLUDED IN EXPLORATORY MEETING OF CORE GROUP.
ALTHOUGH WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT INCLUSION OF

SWITZERLAND WOULD BE USEFUL, WE DO NOT REGARD SWISS PARTICIPATION AS BEING AS IMPORTANT AS THAT OF IRAN AND WOULD NOT WISH TO MAKE THIS MAJOR ISSUE WITH UK.

2. DRAWBACKS OF CORE GROUP DISCUSSED PARA 2 REFTEL DO NOT STRIKE US AS BEING VERY CONVINCING. HOWEVER, IF THESE CONCERNS EMERGE AT SEPTEMBER 13 MEETING, USUN CAN RAISE POSSIBILITY OF ANOTHER VENUE FOR CORE GROUP DISCUSSIONS AND OFFER WASHINGTON ASSITE.

3. OBJECTIVES OF SEPTEMBER 13 MEETING (PARA 5 REFTEL) ARE ACCEPTABLE. WE HAVE PROBLEMS, HOWEVER, WITH PROPOSED AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 21 MEETING. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT PREPARATION OF "BLACKLIST" IS ADVISABLE ON LEGAL GROUNDS. RATHER, WE SUGGEST THAT THIS PART OF AGENDA BE RECAST AS AN EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS OF SANCTIONS WHICH WOULD ENABLE VARIOUS NATIONAL AUTHORITIES

TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION. SECONDLY, WE DO NOT FULLY SHARE UK VIEW THAT QUESTION OF PRESSURES AGAINST SAG SHOULD BE DEFERRED, AT LEAST UNTIL SUBSEQUENT MEETING. WE AGREE THAT SUBJECT OF OIL SANCTIONS IS TOO COMPLICATED FOR DISCUSSION AT SEPTEMBER 21 MEETING. DEPENDING ON CIRCUMSTANCES AT THE TIME, WE BELIEVE THAT SEPTEMBER 21 MEETING MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE OCCASION FOR USUN TO PROPOSE, HOPEFULLY WITH UK CO-SPONSORSHIP, CONFIDENTIAL

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APPROACHES BY CORE GROUP MEMBERS TO SAG ALONG LINES PROPOSED IN PARA 3 OF STATE 207979. HOWEVER, MISSION SHOULD AWAIT SPECIFIC APPROVAL FROM DEPARTMENT BEFORE MAKING SUCH PROPOSAL IN CORE GROUP.

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